



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M No.15222 of 2026
Date of Decision:-03.07.2026**

Simranjeet Singh @ Simranjit Singh

.....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKRAM AGGARWAL

Present:- Mr. Navkesh Singh Goraya, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rahul Jindal, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Gaurav Jain, Advocate
for the complainant.

VIKRAM AGGARWAL, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the present petition preferred under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short the 'BNSS') is for the grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.0136 dated 29.12.2025 registered under Sections 298 and 299 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (for short the 'BNS'), at Police Station Sanaur, District Patiala.

2. Custody certificate filed by learned State counsel in Court is taken on record.

3. On the statement of one Gurmail Singh, the FIR in question

was registered, the contents of which are as under:-

“Stated I am resident of above mentioned address and is working as President of Gurdawara Singh Sabha, Sanaur and due to the Martyr day of Chote Sahibjade in Fatehpur Roundabout Sanaur resident had organized religious path therefore on 26.12.2025 Shri Guru Granth Sahib was brought from Shri Singh Sabha Gurudwara Sahib Sanaur. For recital of Path head priest Niranjan Singh, son of Mulkha singh resident of Ward No.8, Sanaur, had called other priest namely Simranjit Singh son of Gurnam Singh, Gurnam Singh son of Balkar Singh resident of House no. 59, Street Pathanwala Sanaur, Hardev Singh son of Raghubir Singh resident of Assarpur Road Sanaur, Raghubir Singh son pf Ajit Singh resident of Bakhar Road Sanaur, Sandeep Singh son Sewa Singh resident of Street Kassianwala Sanaur, Kulbir Singh son of Pritam Singh resident of Steet Kassianwala Sanaur for performing duty. On dated 28.12.2025 after completion of Akand Path sacred Guru Granth Sahib was brought to Gurudwara Sahib with respect at their place. Due to some work I was out of station when I was called by Gurudwara Sahib head priest Niranjan Singh told me that at the time of Akand Path in Fatehpur roundabout below the Peedasahib and sheet which was assembled by Amrik Singh son of Hansa Singh resident of Fatehpur Road Sanaur, a limb of Shri Guru Granth Sahib was lying torn then Amrik Singh showed this to Niranjan Singh which was checked in Guru Granth Sahib in which page no. 611 was torn who in turn told me that Simranjit Singh son of Gurnam Singh, Gurnam Singh son of Balkar Singh resident of House no. 59, Street Pathanwala Sanaur had admitted in the presence of secretary of Gurudwara

Sahib namely Arjan Singh son of Chanan Singh resident of near Madi Mandir Colony Sanaur, vice president Harjit Singh son of Jagir Singh resident of house no. 57, Street Kassianwala, ward no. 07, Sanaur, had admitted that this wrong was done by him, who on the pretext of drinking water eloped away after seeing assembling of people. Simranjit Singh mentioned above had done disrespect and had hurt the religious sentiments therefore action be. Today alongwith, secretary Arjan Singh son of Chanan Singh resident of near Madi Mandir Colony Sanaur, vice president Harjit Singh son of Jagir Singh resident of house no. 57, Street Kassianwala, ward no. 07, Sanaur and Amrik Singh were coming to inform you where you meet. Action may kindly be taken against Simranjit Singh son of Gurnam Singh, resident of House no. 59, Mohalla Pathanwala Sanaur, PS Sanaur, District Patiala. Statement has been recorded.”

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated. He submits that the petitioner is in custody since 29.12.2025; his antecedents are clean; no recovery has to be made from him; trial will still take a sufficiently long time and no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in custody any longer.

5. Per contra, learned State counsel and learned counsel for the complainant have opposed the bail application stating that a very serious offence is alleged to have been committed by the petitioner, who had himself admitted of having committing the same. They submit that in case the petitioner is released on bail, he may try to influence and threaten the witnesses and may also abscond.

6. I have considered the submissions made by learned counsel for the parties.

7. No doubt, the allegations are serious. However, it has to be kept in mind that the petitioner is in custody for the last more than six months. Trial will still take a sufficiently long time and no recovery has to be made from the petitioner. In the considered opinion of this Court, no useful purpose would be served by keeping the petitioner in custody any longer.

8. In view of the aforementioned facts and circumstances, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate.

July 03, 2026
Yag Dutt

(VIKRAM AGGARWAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No